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ANTI-CUBAN SPEECHES

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(TEXT) WASHINGTON--PROVOCATIVE ANTI-CUBAN SPEECHES AND INSTIGATIVE CALLS FOR VARIOUS SANCTIONS AGAINST THE CUBAN REPUBLIC ARE BEING MADE AGAIN IN THE AMERICAN CONGRESS. DEMOCRATIC MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ROGERS DEMANDED THE "COMPLETE ISOLATION" OF CUBA. HE MOVED THAT THE OAS TAKE MEASURES AGAINST CUBA WHICH WOULD PRACTICALLY MEAN A BLOCKADE OF THE ISLAND. ROGERS COMPLAINED THAT AFTER THE BLOCKADE OF CUBA LAST AUTUMN THE UNITED STATES DID NOT TAKE ANY POSITIVE STEPS TO SPEED UP CASTRO'S DOWNFALL.

AN ~~INSOBER~~ ²⁰⁴⁷ AND PROVOCATIVE SPEECH WAS DELIVERED YESTERDAY BY REPUBLICAN SENATOR KEATING. ABSOLUTELY GROUNDLESSLY, CONTRARY TO THE REPEATED STATEMENTS OF THE MOST RESPONSIBLE WASHINGTON SPOKESMEN, HE CLAIMED THAT THE SOVIET UNION CONTINUES ITS MILITARY BUILDUP IN CUBA. KEATING'S NONSENSICAL CLAIMS WERE REFUTED ON THE SAME DAY BY AN OFFICIAL PENTAGON SPOKESMAN, WHO SAID THAT THE CONCRETE MISSILE LAUNCHING PADS IN CUBA WERE SCRAPPED. THERE IS NO PROOF, HE SAID, THAT THESE PADS CAN BE USED OR THAT THEY ARE BEING USED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES.

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